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1) Amendment Transmittal with Certificate of Facsimile Transmission under 37 CFR 1.8(a) dated January 24, 2006 - (2 pages);
2) Petition and Fee for Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) – (2 pages);
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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1.   Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.

STATUS

2.   Applicants are independent inventors.
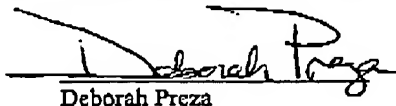
EXTENSION OF TERM

3.   The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that an extension of term is required. Petition and Fee for Extension of Time is attached hereto.

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4.   The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

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